Removal of Procedural Impeidlments for Speeding up Transaction Processes

2190. SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether domestic exporters have demanded removal of procedural impediments for speeding up transaction pro.

(b) if so, details of their demands; and

(c) reaction of the Government there-to?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULI RAMAIAH): (a) to

(c) Exim Policy and the related Hand-book of Procedure is a document for facilitating the export promotion activi ties from the country. Regular meetings are held with Trade and Industry to elict their response on the Exim Policy and the related procedures. The trade *end* industry ral'se their demand by way of individual representation, memoran dum submitted to the Government and in the Op-n House meet organised regu larly by the various apex bodies of Trade and Industry.

The Government carries out procedural simplifications wherever it is felt that the dema,nd of the Trade and Industry on procedural simplification will-promote exports either by speeding up of transaction process or by removal of 1 hurdles. '

Liberalised Scheme for Importers

2191. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have chalked out any liberalised scheme for importers wherein 80 per cent of the goods would be cleared without any detailed examination;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when it is likely to be imple-mented?

THE MINISTER O*F* STATE OF THE ; MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULI RAMAIAH): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. There is a scheme called 'The Green Channel Assesment Scheme' in which importers with unblemished rec ordS and Super Star Trading Houses, Star Trading Houses etc. are allowed clearance without detailed examination. , However, for other importers 10 per cent of the goods are subjected to exam iination

Closure of TTCI Tea-gardens :

2192. SHRI DAWA LAMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to ' state.

(a) whether Government are aware that thousands of labourers have been; thrown out of employment due to virtual 'tlosure of three tea-gardens owned ,by TTCI e.g. Peshok, Via Tukvar andji Putung;

(b) what are the proposals of Govern- . ment to open the tea-gardens; and

(c) whether Government are willing to save the tea-garden workers and their families from starvation immediately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULI RAMAIAiH;): (a) to (c) Pa*shok and Vah Tukvar tea gardens lo- cated in West Bengal, under Tea Trad- ing Corporation of India Ltd., (TTCI) are not producing to a due to labour prob-lemes resulting from delay in payment of salary/wages etc. on account of acute financial problems of TTCI Ltd.

Potong Tea Estate ow'ned by the Cor-poration is however in running coditiort nd salary/wages and ration of workers of Pbtong Tea Estate are being disbursed out of the sale proceeds of the produce of the garden for the current period on monthly basis.

Government had decided to disposo ; of the gardens. The sale process could , not be finafiiied due to legal constraints